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AMERICAN FOREST WEEK.

This is American Forest week, April 27 to May 3. Its observation is nationwide and is backed and encouraged by our forest service.

In fact this week is only a starter for an educational campaign for forest protection which is to be carried on all summer during the season of greatest danger to our forests.

Our forests are a very valuable asset and are more liable to suffer irreparable loss through thoughtlessness and carelessness than any other of our great resources.

No one can seriously object to the inroads upon our forest reserves resulting from utility or necessity but the loss occasioned by fire and wanton destruction is a serious menace to our wellbeing.

The greater part of this yearly loss is said to result from fires which are maliciously or carelessly set.

"Personal, individual accountability for the starting of forest fires is the keynote to the forest fire problem," says C. M. Granger, district forester.

It is up to the individual, and all individuals, to stop the loss, check the waste, by exercising conscientious care. The home owner can insure his house against loss by fire but no company can insure the nation against forest fire loss.

The welfare of the Pacific Northwest is bound up with its magnificent natural forest growth.

Sixty-five per cent of the entire industrial payroll of the northwest comes from the forest industries, according to forest officers.

There are approximately 217,745-196,000 board feet of saw timber on the National Forests of Oregon and Washington, according to estimates of the United States Forest Service.

The principal species in this stand are Douglas fir, western yellow pine, western red cedar, and western hemlock. Forest officers point out that national forest timber is handled as a crop, and provisions made for growing a new crop when the mature timber is harvested.

Approximately \$10,000,000 worth of merchantable timber is destroyed by fire each year in the United States and most of it in the Pacific coast states. In addition to this direct loss is injury to young growth which is very great.

OVER-PRODUCTION POSSIBLE. Those having the farmers' interests at heart are warning against an over-production this year of wheat. The late flurry in price is said to have stimulated producers to the point of over-planting, which, unless unforeseen conditions arise to equalize supply and demand will mean lower prices and loss to farmers.

It would be too bad to bring about conditions which would lower the price of bread to the millions who have to buy it!

GRESHAM BOY PROMISES FAME IN ART CIRCLES

From sunny California has come a detailed description of a recent exhibition of art sketches which was held in the Palo Alto public library from April 2 to 15 by a Gresham boy, Ray Strong, whose artistic leanings are well known to a wide circle of friends in this place.

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clation of mood, the ability to synthesize a subject omitting irrelevant details. He paints the stars at midnight and trees in "storming moonlight," he rises, and not once only, to catch the look of a certain eucalyptus tree at dawn; he is so teased and challenged by a subject that he returns to attack it over and over.

This talented artist, who is now at San Francisco attending an art school for a few weeks, has been invited to become one of a party of artists and scientists, including the famous cartoonist, Swinnerton, the creator of "Little Jimmy," a feature of the Oregon Journal, which will leave about the middle of June for a summer's trip into the Mojave desert in Arizona and which will spend considerable time studying the cliffs of the Grand Canyon.

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